

me, and I beg to assure you that I shall be very proud of you during the period of my tenure of office as H. M.'s Minister at Peking, walk in his footsteps. After twenty-five years' experience of Diplomacy I can honestly say that I have never known a more upright, courageous, able public servant, and naturally you will bear me out in saying that no one could combine a greater desire to "serve the interests of the Powerful Empire of China with those of the United Kingdom."

It is rather a matter of deep regret to me that the advanced season of life will prevent me remaining here for a few days, but I have intended to conduct myself with interest, and the various matters touched upon in this speech, I trust, will bear me out in saying that they will be thoroughly weighed and deliberated upon without losing of time.

Notwithstanding the distance of time and space that has separated me from China, I beg to assure you that I have followed with the keenest interest the various incidents that have occurred in China since 1886, and that I have deeply regretted the lamentable outbreak of war—European and anti-nationalist propaganda that has marked so unhappily the last few years. I have every hope, however, that the good sense and toleration of the supreme Government will be combined with a proper regard for the spirit of the Foreign Treaty Powers, will prevail against the ignorant and fanatical characters of late.

The subject of the Telegraphic Communication between Europe and China will have my serious consideration, as also the questions of French Passes, Lekin Duties, etc.

As regards the great imperial question of the progress and development, free and unrestricted, of British mercantile enterprise in China, I trust it will be always present to my mind, and that you may rely upon my best efforts in forwarding your interests as well as that of the British Community resident in China. If at any time I am not able entirely to partake of your views, or if there should be divergencies of opinion between the standard of H. M.'s Minister at Peking, and the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce, please let me know, as I am particularly interested in the general welfare of our men, and that any divergence of action or opinion, are owing to the fact that the general interests of the Empire have to prevail at times over local opinion, rather than that I have other designs at heart than those which tend to cement the good relations between H. M.'s Government and the Imperial Government of China; and which make towards the development of the trade and prospects of Great Britain.

I beg once more to thank you very heartily for your kind welcome, and the confidence you repose in me.

The Hon. T. H. Whitehead expressed his hearty thanks to His Excellency for having granted them an interview, and for their cordial reception.

Along with the copy of the petition against the ratification of the Telegraph Convention, which had been forwarded to Her Majesty, was the following letter:

3 Lombard Street,

London, E.C., 8 January 1892.

Dear Sir.—I duly received your telegram and letter of 12 November having reference to a rumour that renamed efforts were being made by the Telegraph Companies to obtain the ratification by the Chinese Government of the Convention between Companies and the Government.

You will have doubtless learned from Mr James Kewick, with whom I communicated, that the Marquess of Salisbury informed me that Sir John Walsham had received instructions that the negotiations on this subject were to be left in abeyance and not to be reopened, and that previously referring the matter to Her Majesty's Government, and that consequently the rumour of fresh negotiations on the subject was not well founded. I am &c.

(Sd.) W. Kieswier,
F. Henderson, Esq., Secy., Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce.

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

ANNUAL Sittings.

The annual sessions of Justices of the Peace, for the purpose of considering the applications for spirit licences for the year 1892-93, was held at the Magistracy this morning. Mr. H. E. Wodehouse, Police Magistrate, presided, and there were also present:—Hon. E. B. Belliois, Messrs. G. Anderson, R. Lyall, G. T. Veitch, G. Murray, Bain, H. Waddington, Mr. G. W. Dally, Mr. Justice, Mr. Justice, Mr. Justice, Major-General Gordon, Captain Superintendent of Police, and Mr. W. M. B. Arthur, Justice's Clerk.

OLD LICENCES.

The following fifteen old licences were renewed without comment:—Joseph Gomez, The Man and the Will Hotel, (late The Club Hotel), No. 308, Queen's Road Central; Terrell Silberman, The Land we live in, No. 334, Queen's Road Central; Alexander Mot, The Sailor's Home on Marine Lot No. 614, Queen's Road Central; Mr. J. K. Shelling, The Colonial Hotel; No. 1 Jubilee Street; S. Weisberg, The Rose, Shamrock & Thistle Hotel, No. 290, Queen's Road Central; Wm. Waters, The Star Hotel, Nos. 148 and 150, Queen's Road Central; The Grand Hotel, Nos. 249, 252 and 254, Queen's Road Central; B. Tucker, The Hongkong Hotel, No. 29, Queen's Road Central; H. Underwood, The Mount Austin Hotel, Victoria Peak; F. W. Peterson, The German Tavern, No. 268, Queen's Road Central.

A NEW GRILL ROOM—STRUCTURES OF DAY VIEW HOTEL.

William Thomas applied for an adjourned licence for "The Grill Room," 6 Queen's Road Central. It was stated that the applicant had held a licence for four years.

Mr. Hastings, solicitor, had instructed the Committee of the Day View Hotel to file the application for this licence. The application is for an adjourned licence for premises opposite Connaught House, and it is admitted that such a place is not wanted. The applicant: Mr. Thomas, I believe, has been connected with the Bay View Hotel.

Major-General Gordon believed Oliver was formerly a patrician or sailor in the Navy. He had made inquiry and had no objection to applicant's character; he was a respectable man. But in this locality there was a cluster of public-houses; the Victorian Hotel, Colonial Hotel and Steg Hotel were not far away.

The Chairman understood the applicant intended to engage a solicitor who had not, however, been noticed that the application was coming up day-by-day; and he suggested that this application might stand over.

Agreed.

The Session then adjourned.

On the motion of Mr. Wodehouse, seconded by Mr. Walsham, it was decided to allow sitting and other amusements in the room every Saturday evening.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Chairman on the proposal of Mr. Bain, seconded by Mr. Mitchell.

misconduct himself. A place like this is needed. A great many people used to go to the Hongkong Hotel Rotundas who don't attend it now because it is not what it used to be.

The Chairman explained that the holder of an adjourned licence was at liberty to sell beer in his restaurant or grill room.

Mr. Hastings—And wine and spirits?

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